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At the Court at Windſor, *the 20th of* October, 1712.

PRESENT

The Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

THIS Day the Rt. Hon. *David* Earl of *Portmore* was, by Her Majeſty's Command, ſworn One of Her Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy-Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

This Day likewiſe the Rt. Hon. *John Hill*, Eſq; was, by Her Majeſty's Command, ſworn One of Her Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy-Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

Windſor-Caſtle, October 26. This Day was held here a Chapter of the moſt Noble Order of the Garter, where the Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty, Sovereign of the Order, and ſeveral of the Knights Companions, habited in their Mantles, being preſent, the moſt Noble Henry Duke of Beaufort, Captain of Her Majeſty's Band of Gentlemen Penſioners; James Duke of Hamilton and Brandon, Maſter-General of Her Majeſty's Ordnance; Henry Duke of Kent; John Earl Powlet, Lord Steward of Her Majeſty's Houſhold; Robert Earl of Oxford and Earl Mortimer, Lord High Treaſurer of Great Britain; and Thomas Earl of Strafford, One of Her Majeſty's Ambaſſadors-Plenipotentiary at Utrecht, and firſt Lord Commiſſioner of the Admiralty, were Elected Knights Companions of the ſaid moſt Noble Order, having been firſt Introduced into the Chapter (except his Grace the Duke of Hamilton, who had formerly received the Honour of Knighthood when he was Inveſted with the Order of St. Andrew or the Thiſtle) and Knighted by the Sovereign with the Sword of State; and then withdrawing again, they were afterwards ſeverally ſent for in (in the Order above-mentioned) and Inveſted with the Garter and George, the two Principal Enſigns of the ſaid Order, with the uſual Ceremonies.

Lisbon, Octob. 19. *N. S.* This Morning at One, the Queen was delivered of a Son, upon which occaſion the King hath order'd Illuminations to be made for three Nights together, and they are to be repeated upon the Prince's Baptiſm. On the 9th Inſtant, the Brazil Fleet arriv'd here in ninety two Days from the Bahia. They met with a violent Storm off the Weſtern Iſlands, which hinder'd them from joining the Britiſh Squadron that waited there to conduct them home; but the Pembroke ſav'd ſome of their Ships from two Algerines of Force that were in purſuit of them. Upon advice that they were paſs'd by, Admiral Baker ſail'd for this River, and came in here on the 12th. The Marquis de Bay having inveſted Campo Mayor with ſeventy Squadrons, thirty three Battalions, and thirteen Companies of Grenadiers, the Trenches before it were opened on the 3d. The ſame Night the Conde de Ribeyra, a Lieutenant General, got into the Place with three hundred Grenadiers and fifty Horſe, and the Garriſon having ſince received further Reinforcements, now conſiſts of above three thouſand Men, who are very well provided with Stores of all Sorts. Letters from thoſe Parts of the 17th, bring advice, that a random Shot from the Town had blown up a Magazine of the Spaniards, conſiſting of four thouſand Grenado's; and that Deſerters from the Enemy report, the Beſieged had diſabled ſix of their Guns, kill'd their two chief Engineers, and the Lieutenant General of the Artillery.

Hanover, Octob. 28. *N. S.* Baron Grote, formerly Envoy Extraordinary at Hambourg, is appointed, by his Electoral Highneſs, to reſide at the Court of Great Britain, with the ſame Character Monſieur Bothmar, his Predeceſſor, had. He is gone to Gohre to receive his Inſtructions. The Prince of Courakin being ſent Ambaſſador from the Czar to the States General, is gone through this Place towards the Hague. Letters from Gripſwalde inform us, that the Swediſh Forces lately tranſported into the Iſle of Rugen, are got into Stralſund, and that they are preparing to attack the Muſcovites and Saxons, who being cover'd with a double Entrenchment, it is thought any Enterprize againſt them will be very difficult to execute.

Bruſſels, October 29. *N. S.* The Confederate Army is now entirely ſeparated, and all the Troops are in full March towards their reſpective Winter Quarters. On the 23d Prince Eugene arrived here, and to Morrow he ſets out for the Hague, where he intends to wait for the Earl of Strafford's return from England. The Hereditary Prince of Heſſe, the Prince of Anhalt, General Bulo, the Duke of Wirtemberg, and Count Tilli, are likewiſe come to this Place. Letters from Valenciennes aſſure us, that the French Army ſeparated on the 25th, and that Mareſchal Villars was gone to Cambray on his way to Paris. Yeſterday we received Advice from the Frontiers, that the French were aſſembling a great Body of Troops near Ipres, it is ſuppoſed in order to attack the Poſt of Warneton, and by that means interrupt the Navigation of the River Lys.

Utrecht, November 1. *N. S.* Yeſterday the Miniſters of the Allies met in the Town-Houſe, as uſual; after which Monſieur Buys and Monſieur Van der Duſſen, two of the Plenipotentiaries of the States-General, had a long Conference with the Lord Privy-Seal at his Houſe, and another this Morning. Laſt Night the Plenipotentiaries of France and Portugal met at the ſame Place, and to Day his Lordſhip aſſiſted at another Conference held between thoſe Miniſters at Mareſchal d'Uxelles Houſe.

The Receivers for the 1,800,000 *l. Lottery, give Notice, That Attendance will be given at Mercer's-Hall daily, from* 9 *in the Morning till* 4 *in the Afternoon, for delivery of the Tickets in exchange for their Receipts, and that the Drawing of the ſaid Lottery will begin on Friday the* 20*th of November next.*

The Truſtees for the Second Imperial Loan for 86,950*l. do hereby give Notice, That on Monday the* 3*d of November next, they will pay, at the Bank of England, to the preſent Proprietors of the ſaid Loan, or to ſuch as ſhall be deputed by them, half a Years Intereſt, due the* 28*th day of this Inſtant, October,* 1712.

The Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty having, ſome time ſince, ordered the ſeven diſabled Seamen undermentioned, to be entertained in Her Majeſty's Royal Hoſpital at Greenwich as Penſioners, are pleas'd to give Notice, that if they do not apply themſelves to Sir William Gifford, Kt. Governor of the aforeſaid Hoſpital, within a Fortnight after the date hereof, other diſabled Seamen will be entertained there in their rooms.

Richard Uffit, Joſeph Waite,
Peter Gaily, Lewis Watkins,
Thomas Hollifield, John Harris.
John Dalton,